JANARDHAN POOJARI); (a) and (b> Investment decision$_s$ have to be taken by parties having access to investible resources and with reference to their own investment criteria. It is difficult to assign any sp'cifi$_c$ reason for the slow respons© to the investment oppor! unities created in the country for OEDC parties. Suggestions or proposals received from OEDC investors regarding taxation and administrative regulations are considered on merits.

(c) and (d) Information will be laid on the Tab!$_e$ of the House.

(e) It j$_s$ not desirable $_t$o disclose details of current proposals at this stage.

(0 No change in the OEDC investment scheme is being considered by Government at 'his stage.

Agricultural Exports to WANA countries

2456. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR. Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased t$_0$ state.

(a) what was the item-wise value and quantity of agricultural exports including processed food from lndia to each of the West Asian and North African countries and Iran separately for each year from 1980-81 to 1984-85;

(b) what changes have been witnessed in respect of volume and products exported to these countries since 1980-81; and

(c) what ar$_e$ th$_e$ future prospects for agricultural exports to these countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA), (a) $_a$nd (b) Item-wise value and quantity of agricultural exports including processed foods f$_{r0}$m J-ndi$_a$ to each of th$_e$ West Asian and North African countries and Iran $_{are}$ available for the years 1980-81 and 1981-82 in the Publish, ed Statistics of Foreign Trade of India by the Directorate General of Commercials Intelligence and Statistics. Similar data fo$_r$ succeeding years has not been compiled and published.

(c) Reasonably good prospects exist for export °*t* agricultural commditie$_s$ to these countries.

AEPCS request for Liberal Import of Representation against merger of Luxmi

2457. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND i TEXTILES b$_e$ pleased to state. **1**

(a) whether it is a ^{fac}t that the Apparel Export Promotion Council (AE PC) has requested Government for liberal import of the lastest technology in textiles in order to compete with neigbouring cuntries; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEX-i TILES (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH); (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

2458. Transferred to rne 22nd August, 1985].

Representations against merger of Luxmi Commercial Bank with Canara Bank

2459. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE *he* pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have isceived several representations from the employees of the Luxmi Commercial Bank Limited, Delhi against the proposed merger of the Bank with that of Canara Bank;

(ln if su. what are the details thereof; and

ie) what action is being proposed iu view of the genuine grievances of all conceraed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI); (a) to (c) Government have received representations, including one from the employees of the Lakshmi Commercial Bank Limite!, New 1 Delhi, against the proposed amalgamation